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SUBJECT: MEXICAN PARTICIPATION IN ILLICIT PAYMENTS
EXERCISE

1. AMBASSADOR BARCELO OF MEXICO TOLD AMBASSADOR WELLS THAT HE BELIEVES AGREEMENT SHOULD BE REACHED AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS TO PLAN FOR A PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE IN 1979. BARCELO EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT ON TNCS HAD NOT PROGRESSED MORE RAPIDLY. NEVERTHELESS, BARCELO SAID, HE DID NOT WISH TO LINK PROGRESS IN THE EXERCISES. BARCELO SUGGESTED THAT US MIGHT WISH TO ASK FOR CONTINUED MEXICAN SUPPORT IN ADVANCING CONSENSUS ON AN ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT.

2. COMMENT. BARCELO IS WELL-KNOWN WITHIN G-77 AS A STRONG PROPONENT OF LINKAGE BETWEEN CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TNCS AND ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT. IT IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS CONCLUDING THIS EXERCISE FOR HIM TO AGREE NOT TO PRESS THIS LINKAGE AND TO ASK FOR A PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE. HE INDICATED THAT HE MIGHT FIND IT HELPFUL TO RECEIVE FROM MEXICO POINTED INSTRUCTIONS TO COOPERATE
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IN A POSITIVE WAY WITH US ON SUBJECT OF ILLICIT PAYMENTS, AND PARTICULARLY IN CONTEXT OF COMMISSION ON TNCS. MISSION'S ASSESSMENT IS THAT IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL TO HIM FOR US TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION IN MEXICO CITY FOR BARCELO'S CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN CONCLUDING AN ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT. YOUNG

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